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## Memorandum

To:

Solicitor

Inspector General

**Bureau and Office Heads** 

Attn: Bureau and Office Emergency Coordinators

From:

Director, Office of Emergence Management

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Subject:

2009 H1N1 Flu - Memorandum #5

In response to the emergence of the 2009 H1N1 influenza virus, the Department of Health and Human Services declared a public health emergency. Since then, the public health emergency determination was revisited and renewed quarterly until it expired on June 23.

In light of the current situation, the Office of Emergency Management is scaling back the various H1N1 Flu mitigation measures employed in response to the H1N1 Flu Pandemic and outlined in previous memoranda in this series. In doing so, we note that the H1N1 Flu is still circulating. Everyone should still take basic precautions to prevent themselves and their families from getting flu and other respiratory infections in the first place – for example, by washing your hands frequently, covering your cough with a sleeve or a tissue, and staying home if you are ill.

The Office of Emergency Management will continue to maintain awareness of the continually evolving situation and will provide additional updates and guidance if the situation dictates.